

Alabama Board of Nursing

Summary of April 7, 2020, Alabama Board of Nursing Meeting

On April 7, 2020, AT 0830 AM, the Alabama Board of Nursing conducted an electronic meeting in compliance with the Alabama Open Meetings Act and the Governor's March 18, 2020, Supplemental Proclamation. The Board intended to stream the meeting via Facebook Live, but technical difficulties arose making it impossible to do that. The Board considered and adopted a consent agenda and full agenda. Many items were received as information. The Board heard presentations, deliberated, and/or took action regarding the following items. There was no executive session.

The Board approved the minutes of the January 17, 2020, and March 20, 2020, meetings.

The Board heard about and discussed a report regarding a proposed Alabama Community College System Student Nurse Extern Program.

The Board heard a report from the Board's Policy and Communications Director regarding the current legislative session and proposed legislation that impacts the Board.

The Board deliberated on and approved the following administrative rules:

- A. FINAL CERTIFICATION ABN ADMINISTRATIVE CODE SECTION 610-X-10-.06(2)(b)(1) – QUALIFICATIONS AND STANDARDS FOR BOARD APPROVED PROVIDERS
- B. FINAL CERTIFICATION ABN ADMINISTRATIVE CODE SECTION 610-X-4-.14 – FEES
- C. PROPOSED REVISION ABN ADMINISTRATIVE CODE SECTION 610-X-1-.04 – MEETINGS OF THE BOARD
- D. EMERGENCY RULE ABN ADMINISTRATIVE CODE SECTION 610-X-4-.14 – FEES
- E. PROPOSED REVISION ABN ADMINISTRATIVE CODE SECTION 610-X-4-.14 – FEES
- F. PROPOSED REVISIONS AND NEW RULE ABN ADMINISTRATIVE CODE SECTIONS 610-X-7-.01 AND .11 – MEDICATION ASSISTANTS, CERTIFICATION AND DELEGATION
- G. EMERGENCY RULE ABN ADMINISTRATIVE CODE SECTION 610-X-3-.02 – STANDARDS FOR APPROVAL
- H. PROPOSED REVISION ABN ADMINISTRATIVE CODE SECTION 610-X-3-.02 – STANDARDS FOR APPROVAL

These proposed, emergency, and finally certified rules are publicly available. As always, the proposed rules are subject to a public comment period.

The Board deliberated on and approved 72 proposed consent orders for resolution of disciplinary cases. There was a proposal to disapprove one consent order, but the Board ultimately approved it.

The Board deliberated regarding ten administrative hearings for which they had received hearing officer recommendations. The Board voted to adopt the hearing officer's findings of fact, conclusions of law, and recommendations, for all ten administrative hearings.

The Board received a report from the Executive Officer regarding the activities of the Board and Board staff in response to the COVID-19 public health emergency.

The meeting was then adjourned at 0955 AM.